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EDUCATION:

- Ph.D. 2007 **Social Policy/Sociology (joint Ph.D.)**, Brandeis University (The Heller School for Social Policy and Management and The Graduate School of Arts and Sciences), Waltham, MA
Dissertation: *Uncommon Partners: Citizen Participation and Lay-Professional Relationships in Three Community Collaboratives for Children's Mental Health*
- M.A. 2000 **Social Policy**, Brandeis University, The Heller School for Social Policy and Management, Waltham, MA
- M.A. 1987 **Sociology**, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA
- A.B. 1980 **Sociology/Anthropology**, Oberlin College, Oberlin, OH (*magna cum laude*)

RESEARCH INTERESTS:

- Lay experiences in health and mental health
 - Lay-professional collaboration in health/mental health
 - Collective trauma
 - Multi-morbidity and biographical disruption in women
 - Food, community, and wellbeing
- Social inequalities in health and health care
- Medicalization
- Children's mental health

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- 8/2015 – present Associate Professor (tenured) – Department of Sociology, University of Louisville.
- 8/2009 – 7/2015 Assistant Professor (tenure track) – Department of Sociology, University of Louisville.
- 9/2008-12/2008 Visiting Instructor – Department of Sociology, Boston University.
- 1/2008-5/2008 Adjunct Instructor – Department of Sociology, Simmons College, Boston, MA.
- 2000-2008 Lecturer – Rabb Summer School, Brandeis University
- 1/2006-5/2006 Lecturer, Department of Sociology, Brandeis University.
- 1/2004-5/2006 Instructor, Department of Sociology, Brandeis University.

SELECTED, RELEVANT NON-ACADEMIC APPLIED SENIOR-LEVEL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

- 7/2001-8/2010 **Senior Research Specialist/Project Director.** Human Services Research Institute, Cambridge MA. (Lead Research Scientist on federal, state, and private evaluation studies; 7/2001-7/2009; 20% from 8/2009 to 9/2010) Including:
- *Evaluation of Collaboration in the National Child Traumatic Stress Network.* (Subcontract with Abt Associates, contract with Duke University and UCLA)
 - *Evaluation of Connecticut Community KidCare* (subcontract with CHDI.)
 - *A Rising Tide: Use of Emergency Departments for Mental Health Care for Connecticut's Children* (subcontract with Child Health and Development Institute of Connecticut, Inc.)
 - *Evaluation of SAMHSA's Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) Center for Excellence (CFE)* (subcontract with Northrop Grumman on SAMHSA contract).
 - *Evaluation of SAMHSA's Minority Fellowship Program*
 - *Mental Health Block Grant Evaluability Assessment* (Contract with SAMHSA)
- 1/2002-6/2002 **Research Associate.** Harvard Business School. Organizational behavioral research for Prof. Michael Yoshino.
- 2/2001-6/2001 **Research Associate.** Harvard Business School. Qualitative, in-depth interviews for Prof. Joshua Margolis.
- 8/1989-7/1997 Various senior level research and development positions. New England Research Institutes (NERI), Watertown, MA.
- Research Scientist/Project Director** (NIH-funded grants, 10/1987-7/1995)
- 1992-95 *Improving Breast Cancer Care Through Patient Activation*
 - 1991 *Data Coordinating Center for the National Inner-City Asthma Study*
 - 1989-90 *Developing an Instrument to Assess Quality of Life in CVD Patients*
 - 1987-90 *Evaluating Physicians' Cardiopulmonary Decisions*
- IRB Chair/Co-Chair** (8/1989-7/1997)
- Senior Research Scientist/**Director of Proposal Development** (8/1989-7/1997)

Reviewer (Grants):

- 2023 SAMHSA, Reviewer of National Child Traumatic Stress Initiative – Category III: Community Treatment and Service (CTS) Center proposals
- 2016 SAMHSA, Reviewer of Statewide Family Network proposals
- 2009 National Science Foundation (NSF), Reviewer of conference proposal

(Selected) HONORS:

- 2022-23 Bingham Faculty Fellow, Commonwealth Center for Humanities and Society, University of Louisville
- 2022 University of Louisville Student Champion, recognized by undergraduates for offering support during the pandemic
- 2021 University of Louisville Faculty Favorite nominee
- 2021 University of Louisville Student Champion, recognized by undergraduates for offering support during the pandemic.

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- 2001 The Lindesmith prize by the Law and Society division of the Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) (For a paper presented by a graduate student or non-tenured faculty at the 2000 SSSP meetings: "'Acting Up' and 'Acting Out': 'Conduct Disorder' and The Medicalization of Adolescent Aggressive Behaviors").
- 2000 Sociology Department Teaching Award, Brandeis University
- '97-'99 Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (AHCPR) Fellowship
- 1997 Will Solimene Award of Excellence, American Medical Writers Association, New England Chapter (Print Media Category)
- '82-'84 Teaching Assistant (merit-based), Sociology Department, Boston College

PUBLICATIONS:

Peer Reviewed Journals:

- 2023 **Potter, Deborah A.** "Biographical Disruption, Redefinition, and Recovery: Experiences of Women with Depression and Diabetes" *Health: An Interdisciplinary Journal for the Social Study of Health, Illness and Medicine*. Published online December <https://doi.org/10.1177/13634593231213773> (print is forthcoming).
- 2021 **Potter, Deborah A.** "Peer Support Specialists and Bourdieu's Theory of Practice: Lay Experts and Recovery in Mental Health Organizations." *Sociological Forum* 36(3):624-648. <https://doi.org/10.1111/socf.12721>
- 2017 Rajack-Talley, Theresa A., Siobhan E. Smith, Latrica E. Best, Lindsay J. Della, Margaret U. D'Silva, **Deborah A. Potter**, and Quanique Carthan. "Epistemological Inclusiveness in Researching the African-American Community." *International Journal of Social Science Methodology* 20(4): 411-423. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13645579.2016.1187460>.
- 2016 **Potter, Deborah A.**, Lisa Markowitz, Shiobhan E. Smith, Theresa A. Rajack-Talley, Margaret U. D'Silva, Lindsay J. Della, Latrica E. Best, and Quanique Carthan. "Healthicization and Lay Knowledge about Eating Practices in Two African American Communities." *Qualitative Health Research* 26(4): 1961-1974. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1049732315606683>
- 2016 **Potter, Deborah A.** "Situated Motives of Lay Participants in Community Collaboratives for Children's Mental Health." *Qualitative Health Research* 26(3):426-437. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1049732315570127>
- 2016 D'Silva, Margaret U., Siobhan E. Smith, Lindsay J. Della, **Deborah A. Potter**, Theresa A. Rajack-Talley, and Latrica E. Best. "Reflexivity and Positionality in Researching African American Communities: Lessons from the Field." *Intercultural Communication Studies* 25(1): 94 - 109.
- 2016 Taniguchi, Hiromi and **Deborah A. Potter**. "Who Are Your Neighbors? Neighbor Relationships and Subjective Wellbeing in Japan." *Applied Research in Quality of Life* 11(4): 1425-1443. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11482-015-9445-4>
- 2014 **Potter, Deborah.** "Acting Up and Acting Out: Conduct Disorder and Competing Media Frames." *Deviant Behavior* 35(2): 152-172. <https://doi.org/10.1080/01639625.2013.834753>
- 2013 Smith, Siobhan E., Lindsay J. Della, Theresa A. Rajack-Talley, Margaret U. D'Silva,

- Deborah A. Potter**, Lisa B. Markowitz, Latonia Craig, Keneka Cheatham, and Quaniqua Carthan. "Exploring Media's Impact on African-American Women's Healthy Food Habits in Kentucky." <https://doi.org/10.1080/17475759.2013.823455>
- 2013 Davis, Deborah Winders, Gloria Pressley-McGruder, V. Faye Jones, **Deborah A. Potter**, Melissa Currie, Bruce Gale, and Michael Rowland. "Evaluation of an Innovative Tool for Child Sexual Abuse Education." *Journal of Child Sexual Abuse* 22(4): 379-397. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10538712.2013.781092>
- 2010 **Potter, Deborah A.** "'Wrong Parents' And 'Right Parents': Shared Perspectives About Citizen Participation in Policy Implementation." *Social Science & Medicine* 70(11): 1705–1713. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2010.01.025>
- 2004 Conrad, Peter and **Deborah A. Potter.** "Human Growth Hormone and the Temptations of Biomedical Enhancement." *Sociology of Health and Illness* 26(2): 184-215. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1467-9566.2004.00386.x>
- 2000 Conrad, Peter and **Deborah A. Potter.** "From Hyperactive Children to ADHD Adults: Observations on the Expansion of Medical Categories." *Social Problems* 47(4): 559-582. <https://doi.org/10.2307/3097135>
- Reprinted in:
- *Health and Health Care as Social Problems*. 2003. Edited by Peter Conrad and Valerie Leiter, Rowman & Littlefield
 - *Readings in Deviant Behavior*, as "The Emergence of Hyperactive Adults as Abnormal." 2004 and 2006. Edited by Alex Thio and Thomas C. Calhoun, Pearson Education (Allyn & Bacon)
- 1998 McKinlay, John B., Risa Burns, Henry Feldman, Karen Freund, Linda Kasten, Mark Moskowitz, **Deborah Potter**, and Karen Woodman. "Physician Variability and Uncertainty in the Management of Breast Cancer: Results from a Factorial Experiment." *Medical Care* 36(3): 385-396. <https://www.jstor.org/stable/3767331>
- 1997 Feldman, Henry A., John B. McKinlay, **Deborah A. Potter**, Karen M. Freund, Risa B. Burns, Mark A. Moskowitz, and Linda E. Kasten. "Non-Medical Influences on Medical Decision-Making: An Experimental Technique Using Videotapes, Factorial Design, and Survey Sampling." *Health Services Research* 32(3): 343-366. PMID: 9240285; PMCID: PMC1070195.
- 1997 Durante, Richard, John B. McKinlay, Linda Kasten, and **Deborah Potter.** "The Influences of Patient Characteristics and Physician Experience on Case Recall in a Sample of Practicing Physicians." *Medical Decision Making* 17(2): 199-207. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0272989X9701700211>
- 1996 McKinlay, John B., **Deborah A. Potter**, and Henry A. Feldman. "Non-Medical Influences on Medical Decision-Making." *Social Science & Medicine* 42(5): 769-776. [https://doi.org/10.1016/0277-9536\(95\)00342-8](https://doi.org/10.1016/0277-9536(95)00342-8)
- 1991 Clark, Jack A., **Deborah A. Potter**, and John B. McKinlay. "Bringing Social Structure Back into Clinical Decision Making." *Social Science & Medicine* 32(8): 853-866. [https://doi.org/10.1016/0277-9536\(91\)90241-4](https://doi.org/10.1016/0277-9536(91)90241-4)
- 1989 Mulligan, David H., Dennis McCarty, **Deborah Potter**, and Millie Krakow. "Counselors in Public and Private Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Treatment Programs." *Alcoholism*

Treatment Quarterly 6(3): 75-90. https://doi.org/10.1300/J020V06N03_04

- 1986 Argeriou, Milton, Dennis McCarty, **Deborah Potter**, and Linda Holt. "Characteristics of Men and Women Arrested for Driving Under the Influence of Liquor." *Alcoholism Treatment Quarterly* 3(2): 127-137. https://doi.org/10.1300/J020V03N02_10
- Reprinted in Bruce Carruth, and Stephen K Valle (Editors). 1986. *Drunk Driving in America: Strategies and Approaches to Treatment*. NY: Routledge.

Book Chapters:

- 2017 **Potter, Deborah A.** "Acting Out at the Medico-Legal Borderland: Conduct Disorder and the Medicalization of Children's Deviant Behavior." Pp 396-407 (Ch 34) in *Routledge Handbook on Deviance*, Stephen Brown and Ophir Sefiha (Eds). NY: Routledge.
- 2012 **Potter, Deborah A.** "Drawing the Line at Drinking for Two: Governmentality, Biopolitics, and Risk in State Legislation on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders." Pp. 129-153 in *Critical Perspectives on Addiction (Advances in Medical Sociology, Volume 14)*, edited by Julie Netherland. Emerald Group Publishing Limited.

Encyclopedia Entries:

- 2014 **Potter, Deborah.** "Mental Health Legislation." Pp. 458-463 in *Cultural Sociology of Mental Illness: An A-to-Z Guide*, edited by Andrew Scull. Sage Publications.
- 2014 **Potter, Deborah.** "Pathways to Psychiatric Treatment." Pp. 694-697 in *Cultural Sociology of Mental Illness: An A-to-Z Guide*, edited by Andrew Scull. Sage Publications.

Policy Briefs:

- 2007 Mulkern, Virginia Nilifur Isvan, **Deborah Potter**, and Nick Huntington. "A Rising Tide: Use of Emergency Departments for Mental Health Care in Connecticut's Children. Report #2: Statewide Utilization 2001-2005." The Child Health and Developmental Institute of Connecticut.
- 2007 Mulkern, Virginia, Barbara Rabb, and **Deborah Potter.** "A Rising Tide: Use of Emergency Departments for Mental Health Care in Connecticut's Children. Report #1: Children Enrolled in Husky A." The Child Health and Developmental Institute of Connecticut.
- 2005 **Potter, Deborah,** Virginia Mulkern, and Jessica Hartley. "A Report on Family Satisfaction." Report #3, Connecticut Community KidCare Evaluation. The Child Health and Developmental Institute of Connecticut.
- 2004 **Potter, Deborah** and Virginia Mulkern. "Consumer/Survivor-Operated Mental Health Services." *ILRU Exchange Community Living Briefs* 2 (2).
- 2004 **Potter, Deborah,** Steven Soldz, Virginia Mulkern, and Jessica Kadis. "Executive Summary: A Series of Issue Briefs on Strengthening Systems of Care for Children and Adolescents with Severe Emotional Disorders." Issue Brief. Rutgers Center for State Health Policy.
- 2004 **Potter, Deborah** and Virginia Mulkern. "Therapeutic Foster Care." Issue Brief. Rutgers Center for State Health Policy.
- 2004 **Potter, Deborah** and Virginia Mulkern. "Wraparound Services." Issue Brief. Rutgers

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Center for State Health Policy.

- 2004 **Potter, Deborah** and Virginia Mulkern. "Making the Case for Flexible Funding." Issue Brief. Rutgers Center for State Health Policy.
- 2004 **Potter, Deborah** and Virginia Mulkern. "Multisystemic Therapy." Issue Brief. Rutgers Center for State Health Policy.

Works in Progress:

"Beyond Deflection to Injustice and Racism: Accountability Frames in News Editorials about Police Killings of Black Citizens." Sole authored, Under Review.

"Framing Racism: News Editorials about Police Killings of Black Citizens in Local Black-Owned vs Mainstream Newspapers." (working title) Data collected, analysis in process.

Designing new project and identifying initial gatekeepers for participant recruitment: "social movement professionals" and collective trauma/ resilience. Recruitment sources identified for liberation psychologists, social movement/street chaplains, and street medics, IRB submission target is Fall 2024.

PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS:

Presentations:

- 2023 **Potter, Deborah A.** "Framing Racism: Local 2020 Newsprint Editorials/Op-Eds about the Killing of Breonna Taylor." Commonwealth Center for Humanities and Society, Spring Interdisciplinary Symposium, April 6, 2023.
- 2020 **Potter, Deborah A.** "Occupy ICE Louisville: Governmentality and the ADA" Accepted for presentation at the *Critical Dialogue: Shifting Dynamics: Race, Ethnicity, Community Identity, and Political Power* Session. The *Society for the Study of Social Problems*, San Francisco. (Accepted but not presented due to the COVID-19 pandemic).
- 2019 Leach, Steven M., Snyder, Katherine E., **Potter, Deborah A.**, and Immekus, Jason C. "A Bioecological Metatheory Approach to Evaluability Assessment." Presented by Steven Leach, *American Evaluation Association*, Minneapolis, MN.
- 2019 **Potter, Deborah A.** "Multi-Morbidity and Illness Trajectories: Illness Experiences of Women with Depression and Diabetes." *American Sociological Association*, New York City.
- 2019 **Potter, Deborah A.** "Recovery and a Theory of Practice: Peer Support Specialists and Community Mental Health Programs." Accepted, the *American Sociological Association*.
- 2018 **Potter, Deborah A.** "Multimorbidity and Illness Identities Revisited: Illness Experiences of Women with Depression and Diabetes." The *Society for the Study of Social Problems*, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2015 D'Silva, Margaret U., Smith Siobhan E., Linday J. Della, **Deborah A. Potter**, Theresa Rajack-Talley, and Latrica E. Best. "Reflexivity and Positionality in Researching African American Communities: Lessons from the Field." Presented by Margaret D'Silva, The 101st *National Communication Association*, Las Vegas.
- 2015 Della, Lindsay J., Siobhan E. Smith, Margaret U. D'Silva, Latrica E. Best, , Theresa A. Rajack-Talley, **Deborah Potter**. "Tailoring Interventions for Increasing Fruit and Vegetable Consumption among Urban and Rural African American Audiences: Applying

- Market Decision-Analysis to the Intervention Design Processes.” Presented by Lindsay Della, *The American Public Health Association*, Chicago, IL.
- 2014 **Potter, Deborah A.** “‘Staying in My Lane’: Situated Motives and Experiences of Certified Peer Support Specialists as Paraprofessionals.” *The American Sociological Association*, San Francisco.
- 2014 Della, Lindsay J., Siobhan E. Smith, Margaret U. D’Silva, Latrica E. Best, Quaniqua N. Carthan, Theresa Rajack-Talley, **Deborah Potter**, and Lisa B. Markowitz. “A Cross-Disciplinary Approach to Message Design for Public Health Campaigns Encouraging Increased Fruit and Vegetable Consumption.” Presented by Lindsay Della, *Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences*, Honolulu.
- 2013 Rajack-Talley, Theresa, Lindsay J. Della, Siobhan E. Smith, Margaret U. D’Silva, **Deborah A. Potter**, Lisa B. Markowitz, and Quaniqua Carthan, “Drop-by, Stop-by, Barber Shop, B-B-Q and Black Churches: Researching the Black Community in the U.S.A.” Presented by Theresa Rajack-Talley, *International Conference of the International Association for Intercultural Communication Studies (IAICS)*, Vladivostok, Russia.
- 2013 Della, Lindsay J. Siobhan E. Smith, Margaret U. D’Silva, Quaniqua N. Carthan, Theresa Rajack-Talley, Latonia Craig, Keneka Cheatham, **Deborah Potter**, Lisa B. Markowitz, and Latrica E. Best. “Cultural Communication Factors Affecting Fruit and Vegetable Consumption among Kentucky’s Black Population.” Presented by Lindsay Della, *Kentucky Communication Association*.
- 2012 **Potter, Deborah.** “Transcending the Body: Experiences of Self, Wellness, and Lifestyle in Laughter Clubs.” *American Sociological Association*, Denver, CO.
- 2012 Smith, Siobhan. E., Lindsay J. Della, Theresa Rajack-Talley, Margaret U. D’Silva, **Deborah A. Potter**, Lisa B. Markowitz, Latonia Craig, Keneka Cheatham, and Quaniqua Carthan. “Exploring Media’s Impact on African-American Women’s Fruit-and-Vegetable Consumption in Western Kentucky.” Presented by Siobhan Smith, *The National Communication Association*, Orlando, Florida.
- 2012 Della, Lindsay, Siobhan Smith, Theresa Rajack-Talley, Margaret D’Silva, **Deborah Potter**, Lisa Markowitz, and Latonia Craig. “Exploring the Food Culture of African Americans in the Food Desert of West Louisville.” Presented by Lindsay Della, *Kentucky Conference on Health Communication*.
- 2012 D’Silva, Margaret. U. “*Food, Culture, and Communication.*” Plenary address at the annual meeting of the *International Association for Intercultural Communication Studies*, Taipei, Taiwan. [with Lindsay J. Della, Siobhan E. Smith, Theresa Rajack-Talley, **Deborah A. Potter**, Lisa B. Markowitz, Latonia Craig, Keneeka Cheatham, and Quaniqua Carthan.]c
- 2011 **Potter, Deborah.** “Experiences of Wellness in Laughter Clubs: Health, Spirituality, and External Connectedness.” *Society for the Study of Social Problems*, Las Vegas, NV.
- 2006 **Potter, Deborah.** “Vision, Values, and Finances: Incentives in Lay Involvement in Implementing Children’s Mental Health Policy.” *American Sociological Association*, Quebec, Montreal.
- 2006 **Potter, Deborah.** “Paying for Democratic Participation: Involving Parents in Community Collaboratives to Implement Children’s Mental Health Policy.” *The Society for the Study of Social Problems*, Quebec, Montreal.

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- 2006 **Potter, Deborah.** "Role Shifting in Three Community Collaboratives: Mental Health Professionals as Partners with Family Members." *The Eastern Sociological Society*, Boston, MA
- 2006 **Potter, Deborah.** "Lay and Professional Leadership in Three Community Collaboratives: Involving Lay Participants in Implementing Children's Mental Health Policy." *The Eastern Sociological Society*, Boston, MA.
- 2006 **Potter, Deborah.** "Lay-Professional Collaboration in Policy Implementation." *The Eastern Sociological Society*, Boston, MA.
- 2005 **Potter, Deborah.** "Engaging Parents as Partners in Community Collaboratives." *The Eastern Sociological Society*, Washington, DC.
- 2002 Conrad, Peter and **Deborah A. Potter.** "HGH and the Temptations of Enhancement." Presented by Peter Conrad at the *American Sociological Association*, Chicago, IL.
- 2000 **Potter, D.** "Risky Business: Interagency Strategies Used by Public Agencies Serving Aggressive Youth with Mental Health Problems." *The American Sociological Association*, Washington, DC
- 2000 **Potter, Deborah.** "'Acting Up' and 'Acting Out': 'Conduct Disorder' and The Medicalization of Adolescent Aggressive Behaviors." *The Society for the Study of Social Problems*, Washington, DC.
- 2000 Conrad, Peter and **Deborah Potter.** "From Hyperactive Children to ADHD Adults: Some Observations on the Expansion of Medical Categories." Presented by Peter Conrad, *The Society for the Study of Social Problems*. Washington, DC.
- 1999 Prottas, Jeffrey, Anne Standley, and **Deborah Potter.** 1999. "Improving Access to Care: Grassroots Efforts." Presented by Jeffrey Prottas, *The Academy for Health Services Research and Health Policy*.
- 1989 **Potter, Deborah**, Ralph B. D'Agostino, and John B. McKinlay. "How Does A Patient's Age Affect Doctor's Decisions?" *The Gerontological Society of America*, Minneapolis, MN.
- 1989 **Potter, Deborah.** "Relation of Patient Characteristics to Medical Decisions." Invited session at the *American Public Health Association*. San Francisco.
- 1989 **Potter, Deborah**, John B. McKinlay, and Ralph B. D'Agostino. "Untangling Racial, Gender and Social Class Influences in Medical Decision-Making." *The American Sociological Association*. San Francisco.
- 1989 McKinlay, John B., Ralph B. D'Agostino, and **Deborah Potter.** "Statistical Chance and Epidemiological Rates: Influences of Patient Characteristics on Diagnostic Decision-Making." Presented by Deborah Potter, *The Society for Epidemiologic Research*, Birmingham, AL.
- 1988 D'Agostino, Ralph B., John B. McKinlay, and **Deborah Potter.** "Designing and Analyzing A Study to Quantify Non-Biological Factors: Clinical Decision-Making." Presented by Deborah Potter, *The American Public Health Association*, Boston, MA.

Organizer/Presider:

- 2015 Potter, Deborah A. Organizer. "Social Issues in Health and Healthcare." Roundtable Session sponsored by the Health, Health Policy, and Health Services Division. Organized four roundtables for *Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)* Annual Meeting, Chicago, August 2015.

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- 2014 Potter, Deborah A. Presider. "Mental Health Roundtable." Sponsored by the Mental Health Section, *American Sociological Association (ASA) Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, August 2014.
- 2014 Potter, Deborah A. Organizer and Presider. "Health Consequences of and Solutions for the Failed War on Poverty." Roundtable Session sponsored by the Health, Health Policy, and Health Services Division. *Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, August 2014.
- 2014 Potter, Deborah A. Organizer. "Racial Inequalities in Health Services and Health Professions." Co-sponsored by the Racial and Ethnic Minorities; and Health, Health Policy, and Health Services Division. *Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, August 2014.
- 2014 Potter, Deborah A. Presider. "Historical Transformations of the Construction of the 'Poverty Problem'." "Co-sponsored by the Disabilities; Health, Health Policy, and Health Services; and Social Problems Divisions. *Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, August 2014.
- 2013 Potter, Deborah A., Presider. "Thinking About Health Outside of the Box." Society for the Study of Social Problems, Health, Health Policy and Health Services Division. *Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) Annual Meeting*, NYC, August 2013.
- 2013 Potter, Deborah A. Organizer and Presider. "Problems with Implementing Health Care Reform in a Neo-Liberal Era." Society for the Study of Social Problems, Health, Health Policy and Health Services Division. *Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) Annual Meeting*, NYC, August 2013.

GRANTS/FELLOWSHIPS (Fall 2009-present)

FUNDED:

Extramural Proposal

Co-author of the grant, Co-Investigator/Key Personnel on the NIH project, "Exploring Culture, Community, Communication, and F&V [Fruit and Vegetable] Intake in Black Kentuckians" submitted June 15, 2010. Status: Funded - Project began August 1, 2011. **Awarded \$397,939.** Project provided funds for 1) summer undergraduate Research Assistants (from Sociology and other Departments); and 2) under the supervision of Dr. Deborah Potter, a PhD student's (Heidi Williams) independent study on community-based research.

Intramural Proposals

Grant writer and P.I. on Arts and Sciences Research Grant, "Whole Health: Understanding How Women with a Chronic Illness and Clinical Depression Seek Physical and Mental Health Treatment." Submitted March 2013. **Awarded \$1960.** Stipend provided incentives/payment for study participants and some transcription costs.

Commonwealth Center for the Humanities and Societies (CCHS) "Community Caregivers and Experiences of Risk, Collective Trauma, and Resilience." For the Academic Year 2022-23 Call for Applications (CFA - *Trauma, Precarity, and Resilience*). Course release for one semester.

UNDER REVIEW:

Co-Investigator/Co-designer of evaluation component (**\$45,000**) of a USDA grant submission (\$750,000) through Common Earth Gardens (CEG)/Catholic Charities of Louisville, “*Common Earth Gardens: Cultivating New American Agriculture through Partnership, Technical Assistance, and Network Development*,” in response to the RFA Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program, Education Team. Start date: September 15, 2024. Three-year evaluation will review CEG programs that support newly resettled urban immigrants and refugees, together with native-born producers, in gaining access to land, increasing knowledge, and improving networking specific to Kentucky markets and climate.

NOT FUNDED:

Co-author of the evaluation plan, Co-Investigator/Key Personnel on the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) project, “Healthy Urban Waters Institute” in response to the RFA “Strengthening the Public’s and/or K-12 Students’ Environmental Literacy for Community Resilience to Extreme Weather Events and Environmental Changes.” PI: Allison Smith, PhD. (Submitted Summer 2015)

Author of evaluation plan, Co-Investigator/Key Personnel on proposed NIH grant, “Effect of Guided Imagery on Physical Activity Levels of Low-Income Women”. PI Director: Barbara Speck, PhD RN (School of Nursing). (Submitted Fall 2012)

TEACHING:

Courses Taught:

University of Louisville

Graduate:

Core Courses:

Research Methods (Soc 615 - Core course in the Applied MA program)

Social Policy (Soc 740 – Core course in the Applied PhD program)

Program Evaluation (Soc 750)

Special Topics/Independent Studies:

Health Social Movements and Health Activism (Soc 691 – Special Topics)

Experiences of Health and Illness (Soc 691 – Special Topics)

Community-Based Family Research (Soc 720 - Independent Study)

Medical Sociology (Soc 690/Soc 720 – Independent Study)

Sociology of Disability (Soc 690 – Independent Study)

Sociology of Mental Health (Soc 690 – Independent Study)

Undergraduate:

Research Methods (Soc 303)

Sociology of Mental Health and Illness (Soc 340; included in the LGBTQ Health Studies Certificate Program)

Medical Sociology (Soc 342)

Sociology of Women’s Health (Soc 343/WGST 312; included in the LGBTQ Health Studies Certificate Program)

Welfare Moms & the Needy Poor (Soc 350/ WGST 391 – Special Topics)

Experiences of Health and Illness (Soc 435)

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The Health Care System (Soc 440)
Sociology of Disability (Soc 442/ WGST 415)
Sociology of Body and Health (Soc 450 – Special Topics)
Health Social Movements and Health Activism (Soc 450 – Special Topics)

Boston University (Undergraduate)
Sociology of Families (Fall 2008)

Simmons College (Undergraduate)
Medical Sociology (Spring 2008)

Rabb Summer School, Brandeis University (Undergraduate)
Sociology of Deviance (2000-2008)

Department of Sociology, Brandeis University (Undergraduate)
Sociology of Body and Health (Spring 2006)
Caring in the Health Care System (Spring 2004)

Graduate Student Mentoring:

Dissertation Committee (chair)

Jennifer Osborne Rudy (current), *“Dental Guy-giene: The Training of and the Work World of Male Dental Hygienists”*

Dissertation Committee (member)

Sociology Dissertations:

Samuel Hunter (current), *“Systematic Review of Sexual Victimization as a Factor in Self-Harm and Suicide”*

Tonya Lanphier (Spring 2019) *“Evaluation of a Learning Community Program for Developmental Reading Students at a Two-Year College”*

David Adam Sizemore (Spring 2018), *“Killing Martin County: Resiliency in a Central Appalachian Community”*

Other Disciplines:

Brittany Smart (Rhetoric and Composition, completed Fall 2023), *“Communicating in Crisis: Rhetorical (De)Stabilization During the COVID-19 Pandemic”*

PhD Comprehensive Committee (chair)

Medical Sociology: Solomon Sackey Amoatey (2024); Haley Ann Metcalf (2021); Jennifer Osborne Rudy (2016)

Social Policy: David Adam Sizemore (2016)

Sociology Comprehensive Committee (member)

Medical Sociology: Autumn Martin (current); Carrie Bohnert (current)

Social Policy: Kristin Sajadi (current); Shelly Anne Isaacs (2019); Jennifer Lee Hall (2018); Jessica Newton (2018); Brandon Scott McReynolds (2016)

Research/Evaluation Methods: Tonya Lanphier (2014)

Other Comprehensive Committee (member)

Research/Evaluation Methods: Stephen M. Leach (Education PhD student, 2019)

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MA Thesis Chair

Sociology: Laura Holt (Spring 2012); Courtney Wheeler (Fall 2011)

WGST: Josie Timmons (WGST, Co-chair /Co-director with Dr. Cate Fosl, expected Spring 2024)

MA Thesis Methodologist/Member

Sociology: Marcellus Jackson (2024-present)

Master's Internship Committee (member)

Tonya Lanphier (Spring 2015); Maggie Stone (Spring 2013)

Graduate Independent Studies

Mental Health and Illness: Josie Timmons - WGST MA student, Spring 2021; Cassidy Sickels - Bioethics MA student, Spring 2021

Medical Sociology: James Joyce – Sociology MA, Fall 2021; Brittany Smart - Rhetoric and Composition PhD, Fall 2020; Josie Timmons - WGST MA, Fall 2020; Cassidy Sickels - Bioethics MA, Fall 2020; Jennifer Osborne Rudy - Sociology PhD, Spring 2014; Spencer McMullin - Bioethics MA, Spring 2011; Tobin Williamson -Bioethics MA, Spring 2010; Fran Shupe – Sociology PhD, Fall 2010

Sociology of Disability: Josie Timmons -WGST MA, Fall 2021

Community-Based Family Research: Heidi Williams – Sociology PhD, Summer 2013

Undergraduate Student Mentoring:

Independent Study

Comparative Health Care: Yayra Hosi (Sociology undergraduate, Spring 2020)

DEI Program Development (Internship): Jessica Kivlehen (WGST undergraduate, Spring 2024)

Honors Undergraduate Committee

Kristen Connors (Anthropology BA student Fall 2015). *“Delivering Health Care to Women Who Use Crack: A Brazilian Example”*

SERVICE

Current Memberships:

Professional: Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management; American Evaluation Association; American Sociological Association; Mid-South Sociological Association; Society for the Study of Social Problems; Sociologists for Women in Society

Positions in Professional Organizations:

2018-2021 Board of Directors, *Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)*

2019 Nominations Committee, *Mid-South Sociological Association* (for the positions of President-Elect, Vice President-Elect, Chair of Nominations, Chair of Minorities, and Chair of Membership)

2017-2018 Chair, Committee on Committees, *Society for the Study of Social Problems*.

2015-2018 Committee on Committees, *Society for the Study of Social Problems*. Solely responsible for selecting nominees for the following committees (2016-2018):
Arlene Kaplan Daniels Paper Award Committee
Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Scholarship Committee
Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee

Potter, Deborah A.

- 2014 Committee member, Graduate Student Paper Competition, Health, Health Policy and Health Services Division of the *Society for the Study of Social Problems*
- 2013-2014 Co-Chair, Health, Health Policy and Health Services Division of the SSSP
- 2013 Committee member, Graduate Student Paper Competition, Health, Health Policy and Health Services Division of the *Society for the Study of Social Problems*
- 2012-2013 Chair, Health, Health Policy and Health Services Division of the *Society for the Study of Social Problems*

Reviewer (Grants):

- 2023 SAMHSA, Reviewer of National Child Traumatic Stress Initiative – Category III: Community Treatment and Service (CTS) Center proposals
- 2016 SAMHSA, Reviewer of Statewide Family Network proposals
- 2009 National Science Foundation (NSF), Reviewer of conference proposal

Ad-Hoc Reviewer (Journals):

American Sociological Review; British Journal of Sociology; The Contemporary Journal of Anthropology and Sociology; Health: An Interdisciplinary Journal for the Social Study of Health, Illness and Medicine; Home Cultures; Journal of Child and Family Studies; Journal of Health and Social Behavior; Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly; Reinvention Journal: An International Journal of Undergraduate Research; Social Problems; Social Science & Medicine; Sociological Forum; Sociology of Health and Illness; Society & Mental Health

Ad-Hoc Reviewer (Textbook and E-Learning Publishers):

Aplia | Cengage Learning; Cambridge University Press; Cognella Academic Publishing; Routledge/Taylor Francis; Sage Publications; Worth Publishers/ Prentice Hall

Other Service to the Profession:

- 2017 Reviewer for tenure/promotion cases of Assistant Professors
& 2023

Department Service: Department of Sociology, University of Louisville:

Member, **Department Curriculum Committee** (Spring 2024)

Chair, **Department Personnel Committee** (2019-2021, Spring 2022, 2022-2023)

Member, **Department Personnel Committee** (2009-2011, 2015-2016, 2017-2018, Fall 2021, Spring 2024, 2024-2025)

Chair, **Department Search Committee**

Tenure track Assistant/Associate Professor (*Race/Ethnicity; and Medical Sociology*) Fall 2022

Member, **Department Search Committee**

Tenure track Assistant/Associate Professor (*Race/Ethnicity; and Medical Sociology or Education*) Fall 2021

Visiting Assistant Professor (*Diversity and Inequality*) Fall 2020

Visiting Assistant Professor (*Race/Ethnicity*) Spring 2018

Tenure track Assistant Professor (*Education*) Spring 2016

Potter, Deborah A.

Member, (Ad Hoc) **Diversity Equity and Inclusion Committee** (2017-2021, 2024-2025)

Director of **Graduate Studies**, (Successfully obtained first university-level funding for LGBTQ+ grad student via the Diversity Scholarship fund) (2018-2019)

Chair, **Department Curriculum Committee** (2014-2015)

Member, **Department (Ad Hoc) Committee on Applied Sociology** (2014-2015)

College/University-Service:

- 2017-present Affiliated faculty with the Interdisciplinary Master of Arts degree in Health Care Ethics (Department of Philosophy)
- 2010-present Affiliated faculty with the Interdisciplinary MD/Master of Arts degree in Bioethics and Medical Humanities (Core courses drawn from U of L's School of Medicine and the Department of Philosophy, with electives from Sociology and other Departments)
- 2012-present Faculty Ally, The LGBT Center at the University of Louisville
- 2019 Redesigned courses (Soc 340 and Soc 343) to offer in the undergraduate LGBTQ Health Studies Certificate Program
- 2018 Reviewer, Cooperative Consortium for Transdisciplinary Social Justice Research 2018 Faculty Fellowship Grants
- 2017 Ad hoc Member, Faculty Grievance Committee
- 2010 Gheens Foundation Visiting Scholar in Humanism Address ("*Equity or Perverse Incentives? Paying for Consumer Participation in Mental Health Programs*"), The Department of Family and Geriatrics, December 6, 2010.

(Selected) Service to the Community:

- 2023-present Reader in Research Methods, College Board, Advanced Placement Program.
- 2020-2023 Member/Owner. Louisville Community Grocery (food co-op).
- 2020 COVID-19 Advisory Committee member to North American Dog Agility Council (NADAC), charged with advising NADAC about pandemic protocols for holding dog agility trials across North America (USA, Canada) in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 2016-2017 Kentucky Refugee Ministries – Mentorship Program
- 2010-2011 "Formative Evaluation of an Educational Program on Child Sexual Abuse." Sponsored by the University of Louisville, Office of the Vice-President for Community Engagement and the Department of Pediatrics (Deborah W Davis, PhD, PI).